State of Arizona Senate Forty-fifth Legislature First Regular Session 2001

CHAPTER 140

SENATE BILL 1299

AN ACT

AMENDING LAWS 1999, CHAPTER 313, SECTIONS 35 AND 41; RELATING TO THE ALZHEIMER'S TREATMENT ASSISTIVE LIVING FACILITY DEMONSTRATION PILOT PROJECT.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: Laws 1999, chapter 313, section 35 is amended to read:

Sec. 35. Alzheimer's treatment assistive living facility demonstration pilot project

- Beginning on October 1, 1999, the Alzheimer's treatment assistive living facility demonstration pilot project is established. Any person who is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or other dementia and who is eligible for title XIX services pursuant to section 36-2931, Arizona Revised Statutes, may participate in the pilot project subject to the following limitation on the maximum number of participants:
- Beginning on October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000, not more fifty persons at any one time.
- Beginning on October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001, not more than seventy-five persons at any one time.
- Beginning on October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002 2005, not more than one hundred persons at any one time.
- Only those Alzheimer's treatment assistive living facilities that participated in the demonstration project established by Laws 1994, chapter 103, section 1, as amended by Laws 1995, chapter 105, section 2 and Laws 15, are eligible for this 1998. chapter 178, section BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2001, ANY ALZHEIMER'S TREATMENT ASSISTIVE LIVING FACILITY THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.
- C. To receive reimbursement for title XIX covered services, the assisted living facilities shall provide a level of care that does not exceed directed care services as defined in section 36-401, Arizona Revised Statutes, and must contract with a program contractor at the reimbursement rate offered by the program contractor. Title XIX covered services do not include room and board in an assisted living facility.
- An assisted living facility participating in the pilot project shall have buildings and furnishings that are designed for the residents' safety. The facility's physical plant, safety and food service standards shall meet or exceed department of health services rules for assisted living facilities.
- E. Residents shall live in a single residential room, unless otherwise requested by the resident or the resident's legal guardian. Each residential room shall be constructed as a private room and shall include living and sleeping space, a private bathroom and a storage area. If A PERSON RESIDES IN A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PERSONS ACCORDING TO THE MOST RECENT UNITED STATES DECENMIAL CENSUS, THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM MAY WAIVE THE SINGLE ROOM REQUIREMENT IF THE ONLY CHOICE AVAILABLE TO THAT PERSON IS TO RESIDE IN A NURSING FACILITY. IF THE RESIDENT'S ROOM DOES NOT HAVE A PRIVATE BATHROOM, THE ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY MUST HAVE A BATHROOM THAT IS EQUIPPED WITH A

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SINGLE TOILET AND A SINGLE SHOWER AND A DOOR THAT CAN BE CLOSED TO PROVIDE PRIVACY FOR A RESIDENT.

- E. F. The resident to staff ratio shall be designed to meet each resident's daily activity needs. There shall not be more than six residents for each staff member during the morning and evening hours and not more than twelve residents for each staff member during nighttime hours. The facility's director and maintenance staff are not included in computing this ratio. The manager of the facility shall have a minimum of a bachelor degree or three years' work experience with persons with Alzheimer's disease or dementia.
- f. G. Each manager and caregiver participating in the assistive living facility pilot project shall receive orientation and training as required in the assisted living facility rules adopted by the department of health services.
- G. H. The Arizona health care cost containment system administration shall conduct an evaluation of the pilot project and shall submit a report of its findings to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate on or before January 15, 2002 2005. The administration shall provide a copy of this report to the secretary of state and the director of the department of library, archives and public records. The evaluation shall include the following:
- 1. A recommendation of whether Alzheimer's assisted living facilities should be an approved permanent setting for the Arizona long-term care system established pursuant to title 36, chapter 29, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes.
- 2. The number of persons by setting in each reporting year who received services from an assisted living facility participating in the pilot project, by area.
- 3. A list of the assisted living facilities participating in the pilot project. \cdot
- 4. The length of placement in the assisted living facilities participating in the pilot project.
- 5. The cost of services provided to pilot project participants for each of the reporting years.
- 6. The percentage of emergency room visits and hospitalizations by each person participating in the pilot project.
- 7. The number of persons transferred from assisted living facilities participating in the pilot project and the setting where the person was moved.
- 8. The number and type of deficiencies, any plans of correction or complaint investigations at any of the assisted living facilities participating in the pilot project as provided to the Arizona health care cost containment system administration by the department of health services.
- 9. Whether the assistive living facilities participating in the pilot project were able to deliver title XIX services at a reasonable cost when

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compared with other alternative residential facilities that provide services to persons with Alzheimer's disease.

- 10. The impact of the pilot project in rural and urban areas of this state.
- 11. A recommendation on whether to continue the pilot project on a statewide basis.
- 12. Any other information that the Arizona health care cost containment system administration determines is necessary to help evaluate the efficacy and cost-effectiveness of the pilot project.
 - Sec. 2. Laws 1999, chapter 313, section 41 is amended to read:
- Sec. 41. Delayed repeal
- LAWS 1999, CHAPTER 313, section 35 of this act, relating to the Alzheimer's treatment assistive living facility demonstration pilot project, is repealed on October 1, 2002 2005.

APPROVED BY THE COVERNOR APRIL 17, 2001.

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